

REMARKS

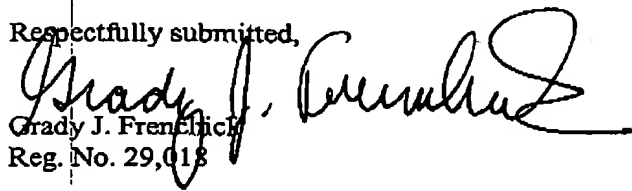
The Examiner objected to claims 8 and 15 of the response of February 4, 2005 for failing to comply with 37 CFR 1.121 as showing marked underlining, while containing the status identifier "previously presented." Applicants have removed the underlining from claims 8 and 15 such that the absence of marking is consistent with the status of each claim being as previously presented. The attached listing of claims is otherwise identical to that submitted in the response of February 4, 2005.

Applicants request that the amendments submitted in the response of February 4, 2005 be entered by the examiner, and request consideration of the remarks presented in the February 4, 2005 response. Consideration of the concurrently filed terminal disclaimer and declaration of Rex M. Bitner is also earnestly requested.

As the application is now in condition for allowance, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of all objections and rejections and allowance of all claims. If prosecution of this application can be advanced with a phone conference, Examiner Sisson is invited to call the undersigned.

No fee is believed to be due in connection with this submission. If additional fees are owed, please charge such fee to deposit account number 50-0842.

Respectfully submitted,


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